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Responsibilities of [redacted] FSO, while on duty with CIA, January 1951 to July 1952

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[redacted] was attached to the Review and Publications Branch, Reports Division, Office of Research and Reports, when this Office was formed during the reorganization of certain elements of CIA in January 1951, and following duties from October 1949 to January 1951 with the Office of Reports and Estimates as Chief of the Inter-American Branch and member of the intelligence-control staff of Latin America Division.

The Office of Research and Reports is charged, inter alia, with the economic-intelligence functions assigned to CIA by NSCID 15. Many of its reports receive a wide distribution in the intelligence agencies represented on the Intelligence Advisory Committee (State, Army, Navy, Air, AEC, JIB, FBI, and CIA); some are prepared for other agencies of the Government. An important part of this production consists of contributions to the National Intelligence Estimates prepared for the National Security Council.

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[redacted] specific assignment was as a senior review and editing officer of the Review and Publications Branch. (During most of his assignment, he was the only such officer other than the branch chief.) This position requires the maintenance of continuous coordination with the Chief of Reports Division and with the Chief, Review and Publications
25X1A9a Branch, for whom [redacted] acted in the latter's absence. The reviewing and editorial tasks of this position require not only dealing with a paper's substance, presentation, accuracy of figures and tables, clarity, format and mechanical details, but also with rearrangement, shortening and extensive rewriting. Frequent consultation on the paper with the analyst and with other levels of the producing division is necessary, requiring tact, patience, and firmness, as well as the capacity for clear explanation of the changes and improvements necessary in order to arrive at a mutually agreeable draft. The senior reviewing officer ensures that all such drafts conform to CIA/RR policy, have a logical development of conclusions, and respond to the problem posed, and that any modifications of ORR's intelligence position are properly emphasized and documented. In the above duties the reviewing officer makes decisions and acts on his own initiative, including the initial evaluation of a paper -- often supported by memorandum -- on which is based acceptance of the report by Reports Division. His responsibility in getting out such a report is therefore a large one, particularly when the final draft as prepared by him is, except for a few mechanical details, the one used for publication. These responsibilities require an intelligence officer of broad background and perspective, clear thinking, good judgment, and the ability to arrange concepts and thoughts in logical sequence and in readily understandable English.

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In this capacity, [redacted] contributed significantly to the reports published by the Office of Research and Reports. He participated in the formulation and implementation of policy for the newly organized Review and Publications Branch and in the development of procedures for improving reports and expediting their publication. He assisted Reports Division in its work of reviewing and editing all ORR intelligence reports and papers (except the National Intelligence Surveys, for which Reports Division does not have responsibility), and was responsible for the critical review and editing of a substantial portion of these papers. With his previous CIA duty and as a Foreign Service officer of long experience, he contributed significantly to the preparation of specific reports, and was called upon to review, edit, and coordinate with the divisions some of the more difficult IR papers. [redacted] mature 25X1A9a judgment and experience were of value in training analysts at various levels in the preparation of intelligence reports; this training included not only the writing of the reports but the use and interpretation of the substantive material presented.

25X1A9a [redacted] also made recommendations on requests to the Assistant Director, Research and Reports, in the light of this Foreign Service experience, on problems connected with ORR reports.

The following are some of the ORR reports which [redacted] reviewed 25X1A9a and edited:

Reference	Title	Date
IP-214 (Contribution to National Intelligence Estimate - 32)	Effects of Operations in Korea on the Chinese Communist Regime (S) (5 pp.)	7 May 1951
IP-213 (Contribution to National Intelligence Estimate)	Chinese Communist Seaborne Imports 1950-1951 (S) (6 pp.)	12 May 1951
Intelligence Memorandum-347	Vulnerability of the Chromite Industry in Southern Rhodesia (S) (12 pp.)	30 Jan 1951
Intelligence Memorandum-351	Vulnerability of the Manganese Industry in the Gold Coast (S) (8 pp.)	30 Jan 1951
Provisional Report-2	The Coke-Chemical Industry in the USSR (S) (40 pp.)	10 Sep 1951
Provisional Report-3	The Electron Tube Industry in the USSR (S) (27 pp.)	27 Sep 1951
Provisional Report-4	Caustic Soda and Chlorine Industries in the USSR (S) (37 pp.)	12 Dec 1951
Provisional Report-5	The Synthetic Ammonia Industry in the USSR (S) (44 pp.)	8 Oct 1951

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Provisional Report-6	The Machine Tool Industry of the USSR (S) (40 pp.)	3 Jan 1952
Provisional Report-11	Merchant Shipping in the USSR (S) (24 pp.)	22 Jan 1952
Intelligence Memorandum-365	Failure of Small Grains Crop in Argentina (C) (11 pp.)	10 Mar 1952
Provisional Report-14	Workers in the USSR (S) (36 pp.)	30 Apr 1952
Intelligence Memorandum-356	Strategic Value of Mining Machinery to the Soviet Orbit (S) (4 pp.)	22 Jun 1951
MP-52	Production of Aluminum, Magnesium, and Low Phosphorous Steel in Manchuria; Production of Steel in Hainan (S) (6 pp.)	5 Jun 1951

25X1A9a The following are some of the OER reports in whose editing and review [redacted] has participated, in some cases doing the major editing of substance and arrangement:

Reference	Title	Date
MP-57	Soviet Union and European Satellite Military Expenditures and Gross National Product, 1949 and 1952 (S) (4 pp.)	20 Jul 1951
Project 6-51 (Contribution to National Intelligence Estimate-33)	European Satellite Power Complex: Part I-Albania (TS)(70 pp.)	1 Jul 1951
	Rumania (TS)(114 pp.)	7 Jul 1951
	Bulgaria (TS)(100 pp.)	1 Jul 1951
	Hungary (TS)(134 pp.)	30 Jul 1951
	Poland (TS)(136 pp.)	10 Jul 1951
	Czechoslovakia (TS) (170 pp.)	8 Aug 1951
	East Germany(S)(200 pp.)	15 Aug 1951
Intelligence Memorandum-348	Vulnerability of the Bauxite Industry in Surinam and Trinidad (S) (15 pp., 2 maps, 4 photos)	30 Jan 1951
Intelligence Memorandum-349	Vulnerability of the Tin Industry in Indonesia (S) (6 pp., 1 map)	30 Jan 1951

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Intelligence Memorandum-354	World Production and Trade in Industrial Diamonds with Particular Reference to the US and the USSR (S) (16 pp.)	15 Jun 1951
Intelligence Memorandum-361	Cork Production and Trade with Particular Emphasis on the Soviet Bloc (S) (13 pp.)	26 Nov 1951
Provisional Report-3	Input Requirements of the Aircraft Industry of the USSR (TS) (62 pp.)	29 Oct 1951
Project 91-51	Soviet Methods of Economic Penetration of Non-Orbit Countries (S)	Not yet published
Provisional Report-16	Goals and Attainments of Education in the USSR (C) (31 pp.) (Proj. 9-51)	24 Apr 1952
Intelligence Memorandum-344	World Production and Distribution of Abrasives (S) (62 pp.)	19 Mar 1951
Project 45-51	The Heavy Electrical Machinery Industry in the Soviet Bloc (S) (125 pp.)	Not yet published
Project 11-51	Volume and Character of Soviet-Flag Ocean Traffic (S)	Not yet published

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